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1. PRE-IG WILL CONSIDER FY 75-76 CASP FOR BOLIVIA MAY 16. PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF THE CT'S EXCELLENT CASP SUBMISSION INDICATES NEED FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/UPDATING AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

2. CONTROL OF MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE AND GOODS INTEREST SHOWS FY 75 COCA CROP SUBSTITUTION LOAN FOR DOLS 3.0 MILLION (COA A-2-1), WHILE FINANCING FOR FIELD RESEARCH TO DETERMINE FEASIBILITY AND COST OF CROP SUBSTITUTION PROGRAM BEGINS IN THE SAME FISCAL YEAR. SINCE NEITHER OUTCOME NOR TIMING OF FEASIBILITY RESEARCH CAN BE PREDICTED, IT SEEMS

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PREMATURE TO CONSIDER ALLOCATING RESOURCES FOR PROGRAM PUR-

POSES BEFORE FY 76, AT EARLIEST.

3. U.S. ECONOMIC PROSPERITY INTEREST IS ASSIGNED MEDIUM LEVEL OF CONCERN, BUT CASP SUBMISSION DID NOT INCLUDE GOALS, OBJECTIVES OR COURSES OF ACTION (SEE STEP 4, CASP PROCEDURAL GUIDANCE).

4. POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT INTEREST ANALYSIS IS BASED ON ASSUMPTION THAT ELECTIONS WOULD BE HELD IN 1975. BANZER GOVERNMENT HAS SINCE DECIDED TO POSTPONE ELECTIONS INDEFINITELY AND REPORTS OF MILITARY PLOTTING AGAINST BANZER APPEAR TO HAVE INCREASED SINCE PREPARATION OF CASP. IN VIEW OF THESE NEW CONDITIONS, ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS SHOULD BE UPDATED AND CHALLENGE/OPPORTUNITY AND LEVEL OF CONCERN SECTIONS REVISED ACCORDINGLY. CT MAY ALSO WISH TO REVIEW GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION IN LIGHT OF NEW CIRCUMSTANCES.

5. SUBMISSION CONTAINED NO ANALYSIS OF U.S. NATIONAL DEFENSE INTEREST. IF LEVEL OF CONCERN WAS LOW OR NONE, WHICH WE ASSUME WAS CASE, CT SHOULD PROVIDE SHORT ENVIRONMENTAL DESCRIPTION AND LOC EXPLANATION FOR INCLUSION ON FORM 8 (SEE STEP 1, CASP PROCEDURAL GUIDANCE).

6. ALTHOUGH IAGS ACTIVITY WAS COVERED ANNEX A, TABLE II, RELATED COURSES OF ACTION WERE NOT INCLUDED UNDER ANY INTEREST ANALYSIS NOR WERE ESTIMATED RESOURCE LEVELS SHOWN.

7. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CT COMMENTS ON POINTS RAISED IN PARA 2 AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION INDICATED PARAS. 3 THROUGH 6. PLEASE CABLE FEPLY NOT LATER THAN MAY 13. RUSH

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